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You Cannot Keep House Without it—Don't Try to.

NO PLACE FOR ANARCHY.

There is no place for anarchy in the United States; there is no room here for those who commit, counsel or condone murder, no matter what political excuse may be urged in its defense.

The line between peaceful agitation and violence is clear and distinct. We have freedom of speech and freedom of the press in this country, and they are essential to the maintenance of our liberties. If anyone desires to criticize the methods of government or conduct of an official, he has perfect right to do so, but his appeal must be to the intelligence and patriotism of his fellow citizens, not to force.

Let no one imagine that he can improve social or political conditions by the shedding of blood.

Free governments may be overthrown, but they cannot be reformed, by those who violate the commandment, "Thou shalt not kill."

Under a government like ours every wrong can be remedied by law and the laws are in the hands of the people themselves. Anarchy can be neither excused nor tolerated here. The man who proposes to right a public wrong by taking the life of a human being makes himself an outlaw and cannot consistently appeal to the protection of the government which he repudiates. He invites a return to a state of barbarism in which each one must, at his own risk, defend his own rights and avenge his own wrongs.

The punishment administered to the assassin and to his co-conspirators, if he has any, should be such as to warn all inclined to anarchy that while this is an asylum for those who love liberty it is an inhospitable place for those who raise their hands against all forms of government.—W. J. Bryan, in The Commoner.

MEMORIAL EXERCISES.

At a called meeting of the Great Bend city council a committee of five composed of L. J. Barker, Rev. Hestwood, W. B. King, F. Vernon Russell and Will E. Stoke, was appointed to arrange a program and fix date for public memorial exercises in memory of our martyred President William McKinley. That committee met at the home of Mr. Barker Saturday evening, and arranged for such exercises to be held at the M. E. church, Sunday Sept. 23d, at 11: a. m., and extend an earnest invitation to all good citizens to participate in the meeting. They arranged the following

PROGRAM:

- 1.—Opening Prayer, by Rev. Schnacke.
- 2.—Reading of Scripture, by Rev. Morony.
- 3.—Song, "Nearer My God to Thee," by the entire audience, led by Conrad D. M. Woodburn.
- 4.—"Wm. McKinley as a Christian" by Rev. Hestwood.
- 5.—"Wm. McKinley as a Citizen," by Probate Judge Feder.
- 6.—Song "Rock of Ages Cleft For Me," by the entire audience.
- 7.—"Major McKinley as a Soldier," by G. W. Nimocks.
- 8.—"President McKinley as a Statesman," by E. C. Cole.
- 9.—Song, "America," by entire audience.
- 10.—Benediction, by Rev. McConnell.

The following committee was appointed to appropriately decorate the church, viz: F. Vernon Russell, Mrs. W. M. Gunnell, Mrs. F. V. Russell, Mrs. W. B. Grimes, Mrs. Dr. Morrison, Mrs. C. A. Hooper, Mrs. Lizzie Grizzell, Mrs. F. C. Seebor, W. B. King, Prof. Baker, L. J. Barker and Will E. Stoke. Said committee on decorations are requested to meet at the M. E. church Friday the 20th, at 8:30 a. m. to prepare decorations. Every member of the committee is earnestly requested to be present and assist.

WILL SOME one please tell us why all the cartoonists in picturing a Kansas farmer, make him appear with long hair, unkempt beard, ragged clothes, in fact a delapidated specimen. As a matter of fact the Kansas farmer is the best dressed working man in the world. It is an outrage to so misrepresent the best hearted, most intelligent, thriftiest class of men on earth, and class them with hobos. We have before us a recent copy of the Mail and Breeze and while the editor may think it smart, it isn't. Take that fool cartoonist out and kill him, Tom. Your farmer patrons don't like to be slandered.—Lawrence Gazette.

It is now President Roosevelt, from New York.

It has been suggested that if State Superintendent of Insurance Church does not mend his ways, there will inevitably be a separation of Church and State.—Newton Journal.

'Tis true that troubles never come singly. We have the trusts and the mosquitoes both national problems.—Topeka Herald.

AND the Herald might have truthfully stated that both these pests flourish and thrive most prolifically in the east, where the republican majorities are the greatest, and where that party gets its inspiration and—spondulix.

The prison binding twine plant at the State penitentiary netted the State of Kansas \$7,000 profit during 1901, besides being instrumental in reducing the price of binding twine to Kansas farmers. Don't forget that the populists are responsible for this money saving institution, and that it is in line with all arguments in favor of municipal and government ownership of public utilities.

THAT the percentage of illiterates is larger among the male population of voting age in New Hampshire than in Kansas is one of the revelations of the census office that is apt to upset the self-satisfied preconceptions of the easterner. And the Kansas man is not only more literate than he of New Hampshire, but he also has a broader mental scope and more horse sense.—Eureka Messenger.

DEMOCRATS and populists will notice the call this week for action concerning the nomination of candidates for township officers, and a county commissioner for the 3d district. These nominations should be made not later than the first week in October. It is expected that next year the legislature will so amend the election laws that township officers may also be elected for two years, as is now the provision concerning county officers.

SOME papers say that "Czolgosz, the assassin, should not be killed, that he should be left to live until he suffers the horrors of a realization of the enormity of his act." We don't believe that way. We would kill a rattlesnake that attempted to poison us with his fangs, and it would be right. We would kill a hungry wolf that we caught prowling about, and it would be right. We would kill the ravisher and ruiner of women, and it would be right. Why make an exception of the anarchist assassin who is as deserving of death as any other brute? We would not burn at the stake, nor draw and quarter; that would be a barbarian act, whether the victim be the rattlesnake, the wolf or the brute in human form.

HERE, all you Carrie Nation enthusiasts, all you misguided temperance people who have been saying that Cranky Carrie had a right to, and deserved praise for, her joint smashing crusade, her methods of destruction and devastation, hear what she said the other day at the close of a speech in New York: "Bill McKinley deserves to die. He is the friend of the brewer and the drinking man. I have no care for him. He deserves just what he got." If anything was needed to further prove that this latest Kansas freak was unworthy the support of honest people her utterances as quoted above ought to settle the question forever and a day. Carrie Nation should never again be permitted to run at large in Kansas and disgrace the state as she has in the past.

LOCAL NOTES.

Have you read the Great Bend Imp. ad?

Show at the opera house every night this week.

Chas. Leachsky spent Sunday in this city.

John W. Howard left Sunday for Anadarko, I. T.

Good showers fell Friday and Saturday of last week.

Rev. Moroney made a short visit to Topeka last week.

Fred Kopke spent Sunday with friends in this city.

Well, we always liked peaches better than potatoes, anyhow.

Armour Packing Co. are paying 12c per dozen, Cash, for Eggs.

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Lyons, in Rice county, is to have a street fair, Oct. 8th to 11th.

EVERYBODY INVITED—to eat at Wilson's 4-11 44 Restaurant.

Be sure to see the ad. the ladies have about the Art Carnival.

Postmaster Townsley is trying a new set of lights, at the P. O.

School books and supplies at Allen's drug store. County depository.

Lock up the house when you go to the fair. There are crooks in town.

The farmers' favorite song will now be "Drill, Drill, ye Tarriers, Drill."

FOR SALE—My residence property near the college. G. E. WYMAN.

Today and tomorrow, the 20th and 21st, will be cracker jacks at the fair.

Mrs. W. H. Davis visited with her son, Guy, of the Tribune force, Sunday.

We have just received a car of Barb Wire. GREAT BEND IMPLEMENT CO.

A fine baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stover, of LaCrosse, last week.

Fred McCaughan was over from Holsington to spend Sunday in Great Bend.

Get your school books and school supplies of all kinds at Allen's drug store.

Horses and mules bought and sold. W. F. Klein & Co., south of Hotel Greene.

Those children should start to school the first week—the first day if possible.

The Majestic is the best steel range on earth, go to the Great Bend Implement Co.

When you come to town this Fair day, "have a good time, but don't get too gay."

The Holsington people are really going to have a depot building, a one-story frame.

See the modern cooking wonder—the Majestic Range—at the Great Bend Imp. Co.

See program for McKinley Memorial Exercises, at the M. E. church next Sunday, the 23d.

The Mrs. Parker residence, on Broadway, is having built to it a large, two story addition.

GIRL WANTED—For general housework. Good wages.

Mrs. A. A. HOLMES.

The DEMOCRAT has headquarters on the Fair grounds. Call at our tent and be sociable.

Geo. Duncan is back to Great Bend again and is holding a position as one of Fenger's barbers.

Mrs. H. B. Barker and daughter, of Jetmore, visited friends and relatives in Great Bend last week.

Harry Weiss, of the DEMOCRAT office, took a lay off and attended the Sterling fair last Friday.

I. N. Woodward of the Postal Telegraph, is spending a few weeks visiting relatives in Illinois.

Work has begun on a new and permanent cesspool at the court house. W. A. Rush has the contract.

Remember—The DEMOCRAT latch string is out and a call from you during Fair Week will be appreciated.

If you had any fellow kicking on the kind of weather we have had the past week, give him a July roast.

A successful county fair this year will mean more extensive and substantial buildings for next year.

You'll miss a rare treat if you do not attend the grand Majestic cooking exhibit at the Great Bend Imp. Co.

Just as soon as we can get hold of it the list of awards at the county fair will be published in the DEMOCRAT.

Editor T. E. Leftwich, of the Larned Eagle Optic, was a Great Bend visitor Monday morning.

Remember that delectable "Majestic" lunch next week at the Great Bend Imp. Co. Everybody invited.

Don't fail to see the Great Majestic Range bake biscuits in three minutes next week at the Great Bend Imp. Co.

C. H. Christianson was up from the east side, Monday, with as fine a lot of apples as can be produced in any county.

See Mrs. Ella M. Stoke for potted plants, cut flowers, floral designs, etc. Call and personally select what you want.

There is going to be plenty of rough feed for stock in this county, after all. The price of hay will have to take a tumble.

The Register has changed its publication day, and will now come out on Thursday, instead of Saturday as heretofore.

Allen's drug store is county depository for school books and school supplies. You will find there everything you want.

FOR SALE—A six room house on Forest Avenue. For particulars enquire of

THE GREAT BEND IMPLEMENT CO.

John A. Urruh, who has been a resident of South Liberty for some years, has moved down to Stafford county, near Seward.

L. J. Gunn, son of Levi Gunn, west of town is now publisher of the Lawton News, of Lawton, Ok. He gets up a very neat, spicy paper.

David Howell is visiting his old home in Madison county, Iowa. His daughter, Miss Nellie, will attend school this winter at Des Moines.

Steer clear of the fakirs. There are plenty of legitimate amusements for everybody, without those useless buzzards that always flock about a county fair.

The Holsington P. O. has been raised from a 4th class to a presidential office, and the salary fixed at \$1,100 per annum. Will Editor Miller get the job?

Burglars broke into Tom Hill's meat market, at Larned, last week, but were scared off after blowing open the safe but before getting the contents.

Thirty Kansas counties hold fairs this year. Tell this to your friends who have been reading in the Eastern press about the terrible dry weather in Kansas.

That snake story about Rev. Jones, in the Holsington Dispatch, would indicate that the fishing party the Rev. was with had a very poor quality of bottled bait.

Herbert Clayton came up from Topeka Monday morning, to visit here during fair week. Herbert has a good position in the rooms of the State Historical Society.

Ed. Dewey was up from Seward, last week, and left with this office an order for stationery for Seward Camp, M. W. A. That camp has a flourishing membership.

For Gang, Single Sulky and Stirling plows we are headquarters, representing the four leading factories of the world—the renowned and time-tried Jno. Deere, J. I. Case, Hammer and Canton Limes. It is economy to buy the best. Come and see us before purchasing elsewhere.

THE GREAT BEND IMP. CO.



If the fellow who shot the President had done it in Great Bend there would now be no question about what his punishment would be. He would have had it an hour after the deed was committed, and samples of the rope would have been in big demand.

The DEMOCRAT extends a most cordial welcome to the many people who are visiting our city this week. We want you to enjoy yourselves up to the top notch; and remember there is not a town in Kansas made up of a better class of people than you will find in Great Bend.

Pursuant to the proclamation of Mayor Aber business was suspended between the hours of 11 a. m. 1 p. m., Thursday, and people assembled in the different houses of worship to do honor to the memory of President McKinley deceased. The memorial services fixed for 11 a. m. next Sunday will enable many to participate who were unable to attend the religious services Thursday.

Young gentlemen who who have some spare time on their hands should remember that the reading rooms at the Commercial Club, in the Morrison building, are open to the public from 2 to 6 p. m. of each day, and leisure time can be very profitably spent there in reading the choice selection of magazines etc. Mr. Patterson is in charge of the rooms, and if the door should happen to be locked he is there to open it to gentlemen who desire to accept the Club's invitation.

J. A. Bland returned from Cleo, Ok. last Friday, where he has been for the last few months. He reports the formerly of Barton people down there as all doing finely; says the various new railroads that have opened up have helped the farmers wonderfully by putting them in touch with the markets. Most all the Oklahoma wheat goes to the Southern markets; and there will be a larger acreage than ever sown to wheat this fall. The wheat market at Cleo has ranged from 2 to 4 cents better than at Great Bend.

Say did you see Louis Truax, Friday evening? He was a beaut—but mighty glad he was not a corpse, as he came near being. An engine run him down, at Co. lege, that morning. He stepped from one track to another to avoid an incoming train, when a switch engine coming down the other track struck him with its pilot. His face and one side were badly bruised and skinned up, but no bones were broken; and while he will be kept at home with his family for some time, he will soon be around cracking jokes and doing the bear dance as usual. Even a Santa Fe switch engine can't get the best of Och. Louie!

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